

# Notice Of Exemption

To:  Office of Planning and Research  
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From: Los Angeles Harbor Department  
425 S. Palos Verdes St.  
San Pedro, CA 90731

County Clerk  
County of Los Angeles

Project Title: LAHD - Terminal Island Railyard System Grade Separation

Project Location - Specific: Terminal Island Maritime Support Facility

Project Location - City: Los Angeles Project Location - County: Los Angeles

### Description of Project:

The proposed project is a grade separation that will result in closure of the existing (tunnel) crossing & the creation of a new 2,000' long 4-lane, grade-separated roadway over POLA mainline tracks with connecting roadway approaches on both ends. Proposed construction would include a 115' span, precast girder bridge; retaining walls, embankment fill, grading & paving, landscaping, & traffic signal modifications at the intersection of Ferry St. & Terminal Way. Removal of trees & brush would be performed for construction & operation. An approximately 3-acre lay-down area for storage of materials & equipment would be used for construction operations. Proposed construction would be approximately 18 months. The purpose of the project is to increase public safety, improve traffic, increase the efficiency of the local transportation system, reduce train noise & whistles, reduce emergency vehicle response times, & reduce air pollution from idling vehicles waiting to navigate through the tunnel.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Los Angeles Harbor Department

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: \_\_\_\_\_

### Exempt Status (check one)

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b) (1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b) (3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b) (4); 15269(b) (c))
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number:
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: Section 21080.13

### Reasons why project is exempt:

This division shall not apply to any railroad grade separation project that eliminates an existing grade crossing or that reconstructs an existing grade separation. (b) (1) Whenever a state agency determines that a project is not subject to this division pursuant to this section, and it approves or determines to carry out the project, the state agency shall file a notice with the Office of Planning and Research in the manner specified in subdivisions (b) and (c) of Section 21108. (2) Whenever a local agency determines that a project is not subject to this division pursuant to this section, and it approves or determines to carry out the project, the local agency shall file a notice with the Office of Planning and Research and with the county clerk in each county in which the project will be located in the manner specified in subdivisions (b) and (c) of Section 21152.

### Lead Agency

Contact Person: Nicole Enciso Area Code/ Telephone/ Extension: 310 732-3675

### If filed by applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project?  Yes  No

Signature:  Christopher Cannon Date: 05/30/2023 Title: Director of Environmental Management

Signed by Lead Agency

Date received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed by Applicant